[23rd September 1955

Taluk Headquarters Hospital, Kasargode.

* 2415 Q.—Sri M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) the number of beds provided in the Taluk Headquarters Hospital at Kasargode, South Kanara district;

(b) how many in-patients were treated in the year 1954; and

(c) the average number of patients treated per day?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY: (a) 34, Sir.

(b) 1,810, Sir.

(c) Average number of in-patients—54. Average number of out-patients—348.

Sri M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: May I know whether there is any proposal under the consideration of the Government to increase the bed-strength of the hospital?

The Hon. Sri A. B. SHETTY: There are proposals for the improvement and expansion of Taluk Headquarters Hospitals under the Second Five-Year Plan.

Single point sales tax.

* 2416 Q.—Sri K. T. SREEDHARAN (on behalf of Sri M. Narayana Kurup): Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to substitute single point sales tax in place of multi-point one in respect of any articles and, if so, what those articles are?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU: There is no such proposal.

Baby taxis.

* 2417 Q.—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(a) the number of permits issued to baby taxis in the City of Madras during 1954; and

(b) the number of such permits issued in the mufassal?

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN: (a) 84.

(b) 52.

Stipends to students in Training schools.

* 2418 Q.—Sri N. K. PALANISAMY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state the total amount disbursed as stipends to student-trainees in Secondary and Higher Grade Training Schools in the State during 1954?